29 November 1961

The Honorable Harry S. Truman Independence Missouri

Dear Mr. Truman:

Today I am relinquishing the duties of this office. Before doing so I wished to express to you my appreciation for the unfailing support you have always given to the development of American intelligence and particularly to this Agency.

In asking me in 1948 to chair a three-man committee to report to you on the development of our intelligence structure under the provisions of the 1947 National Security Act you were responsible for bringing me back to intelligence work. I then had the honor of serving under you as Deputy Director of the Agency.

In and out of official office you have been a constant inspiration to me in this work and as I leave I wish to thank you.

Respectfully.

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles Director

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